

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JOE BARNETT**, on January 14, 1999 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 437 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Joe Barnett, Chairman (R)
Rep. John L. Holden, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Ralph Lenhart, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Rick Dale (R)
Rep. Bill Eggers (D)
Rep. Kathleen Galvin-Halcro (D)
Rep. Donald L. Hedges (R)
Rep. Verdell Jackson (R)
Rep. Rick Jore (R)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. Sam Rose (R)
Rep. Brennan Ryan (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Bob Story (R)
Rep. Bill Thomas (R)
Rep. Cliff Trexler (R)

Members Excused: Rep. Paul Clark (D)
Rep. Mary Anne Guggenheim (D)
Rep. Gay Ann Masolo (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Joyce Bankhead, Committee Secretary
Todd Everts, Legislative Branch

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: 1/8/99
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB193

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. John Cobb, HD 50, explained the bill which clarifies noxious weed seeds may be considered pollution under Montana's water quality laws.

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Proponents' Testimony:

NONE

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 4.7 - 4.8}

Opponents' Testimony:

Ron DeYong, MT Farmers Union

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 4.8 - 6.5}

John Bloomquist, MT Stockgrowers Assn.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 6.5 - 10.9}

Mike Murphy, Water Resources Assn.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 10.9 - 12}

Don Allen, Western Environmental Trade Assn.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 12 - 14.3}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Rep. Trexler, Rep. Rose, and Rep. Hedges to Rep. Cobb

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14.3 - 24.5}

Rep. Story to John Bloomquist

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 24.5 - 25.5}

Rep. Jackson and Rep. Smith to Rep. Cobb

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 25.5 - 29}

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Closing by Sponsor:

Rep. Cobb closed the Hearing of HB 193. ***{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 1.6 - 1.8}***

HEARING ON HB195

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. John Cobb, HD 50, explained the bill that authorizes voluntarily sharing and pooling of irrigation water rights.

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1.8 - 12.1}*

Proponents' Testimony:

NONE

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 12.1 - 12.3}

Opponents' Testimony:

John Bloomquist, MT Stockgrowers Assn.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 12.3 - 18.2}

Mike Murphy, Water Resource Assn.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 18.2 - 20.4}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Rep. Galvin-Halcro to Mike Murphy and Sponsor.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 20.4 - 24.7}

Rep. Rose to Sponsor and Jack Stults of DNRC

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 24.7 - 28.8}

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Rep. Hedges to Jack Stults

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 2.7}

Rep. Jackson to John Bloomquist

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2.7 - 6}

Reps. Story, Dale, Holden, Story, Galvin-Halcro, Jackson, and
P. Clark to the Sponsor.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 6 - 23.4}

Closing by Sponsor:

Rep. Cobb closed the hearing on HB 195.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 23.4 - 25.5}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:17 P.M.

REP. JOE BARNETT, Chairman

JOYCE BANKHEAD, Secretary

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